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Sent: 4/29/2021 7:43:57 PM

To: Lyons, John [Lyons.John@epa.gov]; Alpern, Michael [Alpern.Michael@epa.gov]; Chesnutt, John

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CC: Butler, Thomas [Butler.Thomas@epa.gov]

Subject: RE: LET ME KNOW BY 2 IF YOU HAVE FEEDBACK: Response to Bloomberg on Deep Ocean DDT

It's not a legal point. As you think best

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We may be able to start that process next week.

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Mike,

ORC just saw this.

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Ok, thanks all. I'll send off this response shortly. I'll also let OPA HQ know.

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No, we are beginning a collaborative assessment with our state and federal partners. Any consideration of enforcement is way down the road.

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Is there anything at all that we could possibly say about enforcement-ish investigations or even a commitment to consider using enforcement tools?

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Looks good from my perspective.

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Importance: High

Hi all,

We have a national press outlet (Bloomberg) asking for our comment ASAP on Scripps' deep ocean DDT findings, and on the state Assembly's resolution (https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billTextClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220AJR2). They also ask if EPA "has issued any orders, investigations, queries, or other actions based on this latest data?"

Here's my draft of a response, based on our recent letter to Jared and the desk statement exercise. **If you have feedback or objections let me know by 2.** We don't want to miss the opportunity to add our comment on this one, and this reporter won't hesitate to go to print without us.

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